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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with DDCI and Ex/Dir-Comptroller on OLC
Matters

1. Today I met with Admiral Taylor and Colonel White for the weekly discussion of OLC matters. We were joined by Mr. Karamessines for discussion of the first item considered (response to Jay Sourwine, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee staff, on the [REDACTED] case).

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2. The DDCI read the memo to the Director of 31 May 1968 giving the DD/P views on the [REDACTED] case (which were that [REDACTED] was an agent provocateur and that the Director should not accept responsibility for his entry and presence in the United States under P. L. 110). It was agreed that, subject to the Director's concurrence, this statement of the Agency position should be conveyed to Jay Sourwine. It was further agreed that the Legislative Counsel should meet with Sourwine to hear whatever information regarding [REDACTED] he might be willing to convey without, however, becoming involved in a detailed discussion on the merits of the case or revealing to Sourwine the evidence on which the Agency's position was based.

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3. I reported on the follow up action in response to questions raised at the 17 May 1968 briefing of the CIA Subcommittee of House Appropriations on the Agency budget: (a) the OPPB paper regarding "full time equivalent" employees in Southeast Asia has been delivered to Representative Glenard Lipscomb, of the Subcommittee, with a copy to Mr. Michaels, of the Subcommittee staff; (b) Messrs. Proctor and Brammell are this afternoon briefing Mr. Lipscomb on the NIS program and explaining interdepartmental contributions thereto; (c) we will arrange an early briefing of Mr. Lipscomb on Agency external research programs by Messrs. Duckett and Proctor.

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4. I reported that George Murphy, of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy staff, had called Mr. [REDACTED] complaining that he had not received a reply to Mr. Conway's letter regarding possible penetration of sensitive NATO material and particularly wanted a specific answer to the question (stimulated by the deVosjoli article in Life) of whether the Soviets could identify specific NATO documents by number. It was agreed that Murphy should be told we have no evidence on the basis of which we could provide a specific answer to his question and if he wishes to pursue the matter further he should take it up with the Department of Defense, which is more directly concerned with the security of U.S. classified material made available to NATO than are we.

5. Regarding legislative matters:

a. On H. R. 13705 (Cost-of-Living Adjustments for Retirees), I gave Colonel White a draft paper for presentation to the Committee when we are called upon.

b. On S. 917 (Omnibus Crime bill), I recalled that Representative Poff is still committed to push for our exemption if a Senate-House conference materializes. Otherwise, the House may accept the Senate version as is, which will completely satisfy our requirements.

c. I reported that an executive session of the Manpower Subcommittee of the House Post Office and Civil Service Committee is scheduled for Thursday, 6 June, at which some decision may be made regarding the timing of hearings on S. 1035 (Constitutional Rights of Federal Employees). Colonel White requested that I call this to the attention of Mr. Bannerman and ask him to expedite material he is preparing on this. This has been done.

d. I noted that H. R. 15414 (Revenue and Expenditure Control Act of 1968), remained an active issue, and was being followed, personally, by Colonel White.

e. I called attention to S. 3529 (State Department Retirement Incentive bill) which represents an alternative to an earlier State Department proposal in this connection. Colonel White wishes us to monitor this and keep him advised of future developments.

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f. I noted that Representative H. R. Gross had raised a "point of order" regarding section 106 of H. R. 17522 (State, Justice and Commerce Appropriations bill), the provision permitting year by year extension of Foreign Service Reserve appointments. I explained that I had checked with Messrs.

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Karamessines [REDACTED] who had advised [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] The DDCI and Colonel White agreed that with these circumstances, we need take no action in the matter.

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In the same connection, I noted that H. R. 17522 exempted the FBI from appropriation cuts.

6. Follow up actions:

a. Arrange an early briefing of Representative Lipscomb by Messrs. Duckett and Proctor on Agency external research programs.

b. Respond to George Murphy, of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy staff, per paragraph 4 above.

c. Continue to monitor developments regarding S. 3529 and keep Colonel White informed.

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d. Meet with Jay Sourwine, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee staff, regarding the [REDACTED] case per paragraph 2 above.

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